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SUBJECT: MUR 6919 (Canseco for Congress and Francisco Canseco)
Pre-Probable Cause Conciliation

I. INTRODUCTION

On March 3, 2015, the Commission found reason to believe that Canseco for Congress and Randy Blair in his official capacity as treasurer (the "Committee") violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30121, 30116(f), and 30104(b) by receiving a prohibited contribution from a foreign national, knowingly receiving excessive contributions, and misstating its financial activity. The Commission also found reason to believe that Francisco Canseco violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30121 and 30116(f) by soliciting, accepting, or receiving a contribution from a foreign national and knowingly accepting excessive contributions. The Commission authorized the Office of General Counsel to attempt to settle this violation through pre-probable cause conciliation and approved a proposed conciliation agreement. Attached is a revised agreement negotiated with, and signed by, Respondents which would resolve the violation.¹ We recommend that the Commission accept the attached negotiated agreement and close the file.²

¹ The signed agreement was received from Respondents on April 7, 2016.

² The Commission previously approved negotiated conciliation agreements with Respondents Rod Lewis and Jorge Canseco/Inmuebles Caza, S.A. de C.V., and closed the file as to them. See Certifications, MUR 6919 (Apr. 21, 2015) and (Aug. 27, 2015).

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11 We believe that this agreement sufficiently vindicates the Commission's enforcement
12 interests under the circumstances presented in this matter. Therefore, we recommend that the
13 Commission accept the attached signed conciliation agreement with Respondents, approve the
14 appropriate letter, and close the file.
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16 **III. RECOMMENDATIONS**
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- 18 1. Accept the attached signed conciliation agreement with Francisco Canseco and
19 Canseco for Congress and Randy Blair in his official capacity as treasurer.
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21 2. Approve the appropriate letter.
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23 3. Close the file.
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